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ASG makes revision of harassment policy

Kami Walton
Staff Writer

The Associated Student Government (ASG) passed its third draft of the Sexual Harass­ment Policy proposal March 12 at its weekly meeting. Main discussion was on section E of the draft, "Sexual Harassment and Conflicts of Interest Arising from Amorous Relationships." This section focuses on poten­tial complications involved in consensual romantic relation­ships among students, profes­sors, supervisors, subordinates, and coworkers.

This document originated in the office of state colleges with the college attorneys and was next sent to MSC's faculty senate, according to ASG Presi­dent Jared Clark. He received the document from them in or­der to get "student input."

"This policy impacts stu­dents, so it was important for ASG senators, who represent the students, to voice their opin­ions," Clark said.

Before proceeding with dis­cussion over the proposal, ASG looked at results from a survey distributed to 771 on-campus students.

The critie staff will be taking full advantage of the upcoming spring vacation and will not be publishing on Wednesday, March 24. Our next issue will not be until the following week, when we come out on Wednesday, March 31.

GJPD threatens $36 tickets for 12th and North jaywalkers

Amy Bynum
Staff Writer

Students beware: The Grand Junction Police Depart­ment (GJPD) is on the prowl for jaywalkers.

Students crossing North Avenue and 12th Street illegally may receive a $36 jaywalking ticket. "Illegally" refers to any­one not using designated areas to traverse the streets adjacent to Mesa State College, accord­ing to Sgt. Paul Frey of the GJPD Traffic Unit.

There have been countless complaints from motorists about students crossing danger­ous close to oncoming cars, Frey said. When students dash through moving vehicles, the drivers must either swerve to miss the pedestrian or slam on their brakes, either of which can cause an accident. He said that there are normally several acci­dents a day involving motorists and pedestrians on these two streets.

Frey said this is a problem which desperately needs to be solved. It is not only a threat to pedestrians but to motorists as well. "We are there to put a de­crease to this problem," Frey said. He also pointed out that there are crosswalks on both of the streets, so students have no excuse for crossing illegally. He

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Many areas on Colorado's Western Slope much like the scenery pictured above, could be sectioned off as wilderness areas. Left, Dr. Colley addresses students on land management issues that have been used in the past during his lecture in Wubben Lecture Hall on Thursday.

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Ah, yes. Spring is in the air again, and all of us will soon emerge from our winter caves into the wild world of nature. Now, I know that all of you die-hard skiers have already entered nature, but for those of us who choose not to ski—or just cannot afford it—it is our turn to take to the wilderness.

Yet, how many of you wild world explorers enjoy entering nature only to find that some idiot has smashed a glass bottle or left all of her/his trash everywhere?

Bottle caps, candy wrappers, plastic bags, cans, and all sorts of garbage multiply every year in our state’s parks and wilderness regions, but this is not because it is the mating season of the wild Coors.

Richard Marcus

Come on people, show a little respect. Pick up after yourselves; moreover, do not throw that gum wrapper or empty plastic cup out the car window. Just because someone else did it before does not give anyone else a bonsai line reason to do it as well. A lot of people have wrapped a car around a telephone pole at high speeds. Does that mean that you should do that too?

This is not about environmentalism, nor is this about a law to make more wilderness area in Colorado. It is about pride in what we have as Coloradans.

For example, this girl showed up at one of our outdoor parties in the boonies and most of the crowd was comprised of people in our party group. However, this girl from outside our group decided she wanted to show off, so she proceeded to down a bottle of whiskey and throw the bottle at a rock.

As the bottle shattered, I looked to see who did it. The whole group got silent, and all eyes turned toward the girl. Immediately people demanded to know who showed so little respect for the park. Once the girl admitted to her crime, she got a cold shoulder from the crowd and left soon afterwards. Our party group takes pride in our state, so we cannot show the same respect.

Let us all put our best foot forward and stop this trend. Put an end to littering and pick up after yourselves; furthermore, if you see any trash that someone else left behind, pick it up and throw it away. Let us keep Colorado clean.

Richard Marcus

Michelle Wiggins

America must live by its own standards

If someone had to give a description of American society, how would it be described? Would society be considered very generous? It seems as though community comes together according to many methods varying. But according to many books, daytime talk shows, neighbors, and many others—never to spank, but never to accept littering. Glass, paper, and some plastic may be recyclable, but it does more good to bring these items to a recycling center than to just dump them somewhere.

America also meddles in other countries’ affairs too. Military troops are stationed all over the world because it is believed that these countries need and want our assistance. These communities are told what is wrong according to American standards and how to make it right. It is often made clear that the American military’s help is not needed nor wanted. But does America ever back down? Of course not, because we are right.

The funny thing is that if someone from Denver came to Grand Junction and told us what we need, we would do it.
Overzealous citizens burn Grand Valley

The Grand Valley is under attack. Under attack by many Beavis and Butthead impersonators chanting words like "fire" and "burn."

What is this attack? It is what is known in Grand Junction as "open burn season."

Open burn season is the time of year that farmers and other locals alike stand waiting like a bull in the chute with their gasoline in one hand and flame thrower in the other. Once the newspapers and news anchors give the signal, in the chute with their gasoline tack. Under attack by many Beavis and other. Once the newspapers and one hand and flame thrower in the ration for the new planting season it is ok to burn ... " the chutes open, throwers ignited.

As these burners are busy at work, Grand Junction residents slowly watch plumes of smoke billow toward the sky and the air turns muddy shades of yellow. Even when the air becomes infiltrated with thick yellow smoke the burners are hard at work burning all it can while they can.

As this open burn season can prove useful for those who are preparing their crops for the next season, others take advantage of the season to get rid of excess trash. Driving around the valley I notice numerous people burning piles of trash along with their weeds.

While this trash burning is not in accordance with the rules for open burn season, how is it possibly regulated when so many people in the valley are burning at the same time? It just is not possible to keep track of who is burning what.

What is the solution here? Grand Junction residents need to realize that this game we call open burn season is nothing more than an excuse to pollute the valley. Furthermore, residents need to realize they do not need to partake in the event just because they are allowed to burn.

We are diminishing our air quality and filling it with pollutants which is something this area cannot afford to do because we are surrounded by such land markings as the Colorado National Monument, the Bookcliffs, and the Grand Mesa, which make it hard for polluted air to escape.

We have created an image of what is "perfect" and right, and it is our duty to uphold this image or at least pretend. If we are below the status quo, take a trip to the bookstore where self-help books can be found to obtain that perfection. Everything in America must look right, even if it is not.

So to describe Americans, I would say we can be generous to others, but often we ignore our needs and become too involved with other people's lives when we are not asked to do so. This is all done to uphold the image of perfection.

I am as guilty as the next person. We have all lived this way and we will continue to because we do not know any different. That is just who we are.

March 17, 1999

Opinions

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**Confirmation fee at MSC no longer needed**

The Criterion Staff

The Mesa State office of admissions has just dropped the $75 confirmation fee required for a schedule during the coming fall semester to be finalized. However, students are now required to submit a con-

firmation form located either in the new course schedule book-

let or in office of admissions in-

side Lowell Heiny Hall.

Forms must be turned in by


**SURVEY:**

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Three decades of time sees many changes for Mesa State

In 1940, the school moved to its current location, although it was much smaller than today's sprawling campus. In 65, the College Center building was new, and the library was called Murr Memorial.

Before the current Mary Rait Hall, another residence hall, also named after Mary Rait, was described as, "a beautiful women's residence hall, with a capacity of seventy women. The dormitory has recreation rooms, party kitchens, and a dating lounge on the first floor."

"It was still an isolated two-year college," Dr. Tiemann said, "Maybe there was a war somewhere, but we didn't really know." Tiemann can remember that the aura of the college was sleepy, a small junior college gearing up to become a four-year college, although that event was still eight years in the future.

Tuition was not charged to Colorado residents, but out-of-staters paid $60 per quarter. Room and board in a dormitory would set you back $210.

In 1965, "Students entering Mesa College for the first time (were) required to present at the time of registration a certificate of good health signed by a family physician or a physician approved by the college."

Things have changed in the 74 years since Mesa (State) College was founded. Today, a parking violation can cost more than tuition in the 1930s. Security is tighter, and we have more books in our library. (In 1935, the library was the largest on the Western Slope, including around 5,000 volumes.) We also have an invention called the computer. The students of 1965 didn't have hand-held calculators or lap-top computers.

Crime Stoppers is looking for burglary suspects. At about 9:49 p.m. during the night of Sunday, January 31, 1999, Mesa County Deputies responded to a burglary alarm at Jerry's Outdoor Sports, located at 507 30th. The suspects, having entered the business and damaged a glass display case, took a Colt, AB .35, Sporter model rifle with a nine round magazine. The rifle is valued at $900 and the damage to the business was estimated at $650. This is the second time the business has been burglarized, the last time being July of 1998 when two hand-guns were stolen.

Crime Stoppers phone lines are not recorded, and Crime Stoppers will pay up to $1,000 for information about this case or any other serious crime or fugitive. It's your information we want, not your name. If you know who was involved in these crimes, call Crime Stoppers at 241-STOP (7867) or 1-800-221-STOP (7867) for Crime Stoppers.

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MSC's Johnson taps way to Ft. Collins event

Jaye Keeler
Staff Writer

Mesa State College students learned to sizzle like a pork chop at The American College Dance Festival (ACDF). Teachers encouraged the dancers to believe in themselves and their abilities, stressing the idea that anyone can dance, no matter what your shape or form.

They emphasized the "sense of joy of movement," said senior Michaela Moncrief. Thirteen MSC dance students attended ACDF in Fort Collins from March 4 through March 7. This year the event was held at Colorado State University. There were 17 colleges, from all around the Western region that participated. Students had a chance to attend master classes as well as have a chance to perform.

The performances were judged for their choreography techniques by judicatures that chose nine to be the best overall. MSC became involved with ACDF 25 years ago when Associate Dance Professor Ann Sanders, discovered a small article about the festival in Dance Magazine. Sanders said that ACDF "sprung from a need for colleges to share the art of dance, not just from classes but from performance and choreography."

She believes the exciting thing about ACDF is that the dancers are in competition with larger schools that have more access to choreographers with a Master in Fine Arts.

Each college was given a chance to perform two pieces. The two pieces that MSC dancers performed were "Stories in Bones" choreographed by Robin Prichard, and "Every Wednesday Afternoon" choreographed by senior music theater major, Blake Johnson. Johnson's piece was the only piece that featured tap. "We were the only tap piece there, everybody else was focusing on ballet and modern, so I figured either it would work for us, or against us," he said.

Johnson's tap piece was picked to be among the top nine in the Gala. Johnson began dancing his sophomore year, at MSC, under the supervision of Associate Dance Professor Brian Vernon. Johnson said, "The only thing I'm really good at is tap. The whole reason I've learned so much about tap is because when I first started out I was just an actor and then I realized that all the jobs in theater are pretty much musical theater and I couldn't dance so tap was the one thing I could grasp."

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Furnishers invade GJ, Mesa Theater

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The stage was jumping at the Mesa Theater and Club on Sunday when three bands brought on the music. All of them appeared to have springs in their legs as they bounced around the stage. This energy affected the approximate crowd of 200, as they caught the buzz of energy from the groups.

Upon entering the stage, Pushing Twenty, a local Grand Junction band, took control of the crowd. When these guys are not busy practicing their ska-punk beat together — they are attending school at Grand Junction High.

Lead Singer, Brandon Thomassen, stepped up to the microphone wearing a clown wig and proceeded to enter the mic and the band, banking to the podium. Stepanek, Tom, and Dave Nutting, a former Mesa State College student, stepped up to the podium to give his theory of the band Sucker Junkeez.

They were made with a "designed system" from the beginning when God put them on the earth, said Nutting. For example, the giraffe with its long neck and large heart felt could not have gone through a process of evolution. Nutting said the giraffes' heads would have exploded every time it went for a drink of water, it had to be "designed." According to Nutting, a "designed system" is something evolution cannot explain.

The speakers pointed out that evolution cannot explain the metamorphosis of a butterfly because it was "designed." "Based on science I gave up the theory of evolution and looked towards the Bible," said Nutting, adding, "The Bible has the true God in it.

"The pictures of early man we see in books are merely art work. How can you tell the color of someone's hair or what it looks like or the color of their skin from a single bone?" he asked. Stepanek believes imagination is not a science. "Evolution is an ancient pagan philosophy," he said. "When Jesus Christ comes through the clouds their faces (evolutionists) will be red.

Dave Nutting said evolution could not produce many of the animals we have today. They were made with a "designed system."
MSC tennis teams begin spring with youth, earn split with CU-CS

Brett Sorge
Staff Writer

The spring season for the men and women's tennis teams is in full swing.

The two teams opened the spring season with a dual match against CU-Colorado Springs. The men dropped the dual 6-3, but the women picked up a 5-4 win.

Mesa State College received wins by No. 2 Terra Sickler (6-2, 7-6), No. 3 Kristi Kennedy (7-5, 6-1), and No. 6 Sarah Jennings (7-5, 6-1). Sickler teamed with No. 1 Andrea Pflughoeft for a close 8-7 win in doubles play. Laurie Kinitz and Mari Wagggoner won their doubles match to propel the Mavericks to the team victory.

Coach Tish Elliott was pleased with the team's performance. "We have a lot of depth. We have eight on the team and all of them are vying for the six spots. We're strong at the four, five and six and that is where many duals are won," Elliott said. Speaking about the dual with CU-Colorado Springs, Elliott pointed out the close matches. "We lost some tough three-set matches that could've gone either way," she said.

Youth reigns on the men's team, as No.1 Olivier VanLindent is the only senior.

Mesa State's Nate Duvall smacks a homerun during MSC's come-from-behind 15-14 win over Nebraska-Omaha on Monday. MSC improved to 15-6 with its 3-1 record in the series.

Golfers to begin spring by hosting Spring Break Tournament

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Spring Break will arrive a few days late for the Mesa State College Women's Golf Team. On Monday and Tuesday, March 22 and 23, the Lady Mavs will host the Maverick Invitational Golf Tournament at the Bookcliff Country Club.

Joining the Lady Mavs on the Bookcliff links will be Chadron State, Northern Colorado and Nebraska-Kearney. The four schools will field six teams and 32 individuals vying for team and individual honors. The tournament is a Division II tournament and will carry the standard 54-hole format: 36 holes played on Monday, 18 on Tuesday.

The MSC Invitational is the first in a four-tournament season that will see the Lady Mavs traveling to Chadron, Neb. on April 9 and 10, Greeley on April 18 and 19 and Kearney, Neb. on April 26 and 27. Coach Dan Sommers said that one of his goals for the spring season is for his team to win all of the tournaments.

"We are going to have an excellent spring season. We will be very, very competitive," he predicted. "Everyone is playing well.

A long-term goal is to continue to promote the Maverick Spring Invitational and develop it into a good 10-team tournament. "We are fortunate to host the tournament at Bookcliff," Sommers said. He said the golf club has been so supportive of MSC's golf program, and hotel facilities are so convenient, there is an excellent opportunity to build the tournament into a much larger event. Sommers believes that if the players see the course and the proximity of the lodging, more teams will want to come here.

Sommers also believes that Spring Break is a good time to have the tournament. Because tournaments are usually played on Mondays and Tuesdays, he said the players miss a lot of school. Spring Break gives the student-athletes a chance to play a tournament without missing any classes.

The Maverick Spring Invitational will begin each of the two tournament days with a shotgun start at 8:30 a.m. The competitors will use Sunday, March 21 as a practice day.
Softball splits two with Regis

Michelle Sullivan
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The Mesa State College softball team handed the Rangers only their second loss of the season last Thursday. The Lady Mavs split the nonconference doubleheader, which places their record at 11-8 overall, 5-3 in Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference play.

The Lady Mavs are now tied with Southern Colorado for third place in the RMAC. Sole possession of first place belongs to Nebraska-Kearney, which was 13 runs. MSC did it against Regis in 1982. Fort Hays State followed junior third baseman Kacey Henden’s selection as the RMAC Position Player of the Week. Henden was the first Lady Maverick to receive the honor this season.

MSC will take on Otero Junior College in an exhibition doubleheader this Thursday. Action is scheduled to begin at 1 p.m. at Bus Bergman Field. The Lady Mavs will then resume conference action at the University of Southern Colorado on March 20 and at the University of Colorado-Colorado Springs on March 21.

March Madness: First Hand

Both of us were lucky enough to experience March Madness from the side of McNichols Sports Arena in Denver last weekend. We served as media liaisons for the Colorado State Sports Information Office, the co-hosts of the tournament. So here are our thoughts on March Madness.

CIRCUS

By Chris Day and Michelle Sullivan

Juanita McCollum, 18, and her friend, 18, left center wall. UNO then intentionally walked, who had hit two singles, to set up a force play. Weinbrecht bounced to second base, but Nelson did not sit. Kesler then stepped up to the plate and stuck his knee out, that's the only thing is that we peak at the right time, and we haven't peaked,” Hanks said.

“I don’t know if we’re relying on the hitters or not, but we’ve got to do a better job to keep the runs down,” Nelson said of the pitching staff.

Hanks is down with his teams pitching but remains positive. “We won more than we lost. As we’re sitting here we could have been 1-3,” Hanks said in a semi-jokingly manner.

With the circus of hits and walks in the series was far from exquisite. “We’re going to come out of our pitching funk. I truly believe that,” he continued.

While the pitchers hated the series, the Maverick hitters loved it. “It’s fun playing. It’s fun playing with a group of guys that can hit the ball and score a lot of runs,” Kesler said.

Before Monday’s games, MSC learned that it had moved up to 22nd in the latest national rankings. MSC will take that ranking and its 15-6 record into Kearney, Neb. this weekend to open up Rocky Mountain Athletic Conference play.

The Lopers and Mavericks will play a four-game set with wooden bats, a new RMAC rule. During Spring Break, MSC will also play a game against North Dakota, and three at Northern Colorado. It returns home on March 26, to face Metro State. “The most important thing is that we peak at the right time, and we haven’t peaked,” Hanks said.

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2. Select leaner cuts of meat, and trim off excess fat. To prepare meat, boil, broil or bake. Don’t fry.


4. Reduce fat in recipes. Often fat used in recipes can be cut in half for breads, cakes, etc. This is especially true for foods that are naturally moist such as fruit breads.

5. Watch the “fast foods.” The larger burgers and fried chicken usually have over half of their calories in fat. French fries and hot dogs are also high in fat.

Here’s an added bonus. If you reduce your fat intake, you will also be reducing your calories. Fat has more than twice the calories by weight than protein or carbohydrates.

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